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## EARTHQUAKE FELT THROUGHOUT CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES

No Material Damage Reported Up Till Last Night And Only One Casualty When Man Falls From Railway Platform And Is Killed By Train.—Near Panic in Montreal.—Centre Of Disturbance About 1,300 Miles Away.

(Canadian Press)

From Canada to Kentucky and the Atlantic to Wisconsin in the United States, a mild and widely scattered earthquake was felt last evening, the severest in those localities to be recorded in two centuries.

No material damage had been reported tonight and only one casualty could be attributed to the shock, a man falling from a railway platform in Brooklyn, while the shock was swaying the earth, being killed by a train. Buildings swayed some windows were broken and walls cracked at different places in Canada and the United States.

The quake was registered in the Observatory at Dalhousie University starting at 10.20 and lasting two minutes with its maximum intensity at 10.22, indicating that the centre of the disturbance was about 1,300 miles away.

Buildings in Nova Scotia were swayed and dishes rattled, but no actual damage has been reported.

In Montreal there were near panics in the theatres and the earth tremors were markedly noticeable. Similar reports were received from Ontario and throughout the eastern United States.

CHARLOTTETOWN FEELS QUAKE.

A slight, but distinct earthquake shock was felt in different parts of the city and the island on Saturday night at about half-past ten. In Charlottetown it was noticed especially by those living in stone or brick buildings but in many other residences and in the City Hospital the disturbance was quite noticeable. In no place, however, did it do any damage. It was accompanied, some say, by a low rumbling sound, and did not last more than a few seconds.

At the home of Mr. James Paton at the summit of Gallows Hill, the phenomena was pronounced, the house being shaken in a very perceptible manner, the radiators made to vibrate loudly and a grand

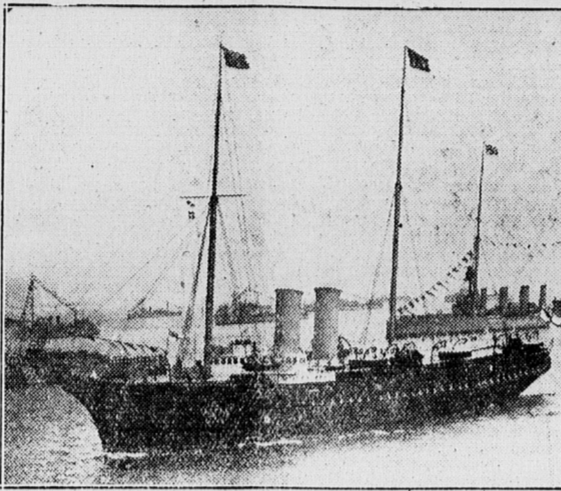
father clock caused to stop. It is peculiar that though Mr. James Tait, who was in his glass screen-house at the time, thought that the structure was about to collapse, Mr. John Williams, who lives quite near the Paton residence, and who was also in his screen house never knew that anything out of the ordinary had occurred.

At the Railway Station also the disturbance was noticeable, the building shaking and the platform of the station clock, after swinging for a second or two in a greater arc than usual, brought to a stop at the exact time of the shock, namely 10.22 p. m.

Similar disturbances are reported in Alberton, Albany, Eldon and New Haven dishes and cutlery being loudly rattled in several of those places and beds and furniture shaken. At Souris it was not noticed.

It will be remembered that Charlottetown, in common with all the Maritimes, had a slight earthquake disturbance in the summer of 1923.

## THE YACHT ON WHICH KING WILL GO CRUISING



In about two weeks King George will go on a cruise of the Mediterranean by order of his physicians. This will give him an opportunity to recuperate from the bronchitis attack and escape the rigors of English winter weather. The photo shows the Royal Yacht "Victoria and Albert" on which the King will sail in Mediterranean waters. All work is being rushed in order to have the yacht ready to leave as soon as the King's health permits.

## FORESEES MOVE TO SEIZE PHILIPPINES

Col. C. O. Osborne of the R. A. F. Declares That Japan, Russia and Germany After Islands.

(Special to The Guardian)  
TORONTO, Mar. 1.—A move by Japan, Russia and Germany to seize the Philippines, is foreseen by Col. C. O. Osborne, formerly of the Royal Air Force, and now employed as a construction engineer

## WILL WITHDRAW ITS STEAMERS FROM ROUTE

No Agreement re Renewal of Contract with Govt. Forces Royal Mail Steam Packet Co. to Withdraw Steamers From Halifax-West Indies Route

(Canadian Press)  
HALIFAX, March 1.—The Royal Mail Steam Packet Company will withdraw its passenger steamers from the Halifax-West Indies route March 31, it was announced today, owing to the fact that no agreement with the Canadian Government has been reached whereby their contract for the mail steamers may be renewed. This will interrupt a service that has been in operation since November 1913. The steamers affected are the Chaleur, Chignecto and Chaudiere.

## Will Not Support Private Member's Bill

(Special to The Guardian)  
LONDON, Mar. 1.—The Baldwin Cabinet has decided not to give any support to the Conservative Private Member's Bill by which E. A. MacQuisten would abolish the existing rights of trade unions regarding the political levy.

## Sing-Song At "Y"

A good number turned out last night and enjoyed a very pleasant hour of worship in song. Those who were there were fortunate indeed for they heard one of the most forcible and practical talks yet given at those services.

Rev. Dr. Genge was the speaker of the evening and he took as his subject the "Seven Stages of Success." He dwelt on each stage of it in such a way that one could not but benefit by it and take the message to heart.

The "Y" quartette sang very beautifully on two occasions. Miss Curry acting as accompanist for them.

## GERMAN PRES. SUCCEDED TO PERITONITIS

Ebert, 1st Pres. of German Republic Made Gallant Fight For Life But Heart Was Not Equal to Burden

(Canadian Press)  
BERLIN, Mar. 1.—Friedrich Ebert, first President of the German Republic died at ten fifteen this morning, succumbing to the ravages of peritonitis, following an operation for appendicitis five days ago.

The former saddlemaker whose skill in guiding the infant Republic through its first turbulent years of existence was acknowledged even by bitter enemies, made a gallant fight for life, but his system had been undermined by an attack of influenza preceding the operation and his heart was not equal to the burden imposed by poison which had spread through his system.

Ebert was a hard-headed fact leader who made a brave fight in behalf of the German Republic and German masses under heart-breaking conditions.

The public received the news of the President's death through a fluttering of flags on the Foreign Office, British and United States Embassies and Government buildings along the Wilhelmstrasse. The news came as a shock to Berliners, as the morning papers published bulletins indicating a marked improvement in Herr Ebert's condition, and the crisis was supposed "by many to have been passed."

## Preston Re-elected to House of Commons

(Canadian Press)  
LONDON, Mar. 1.—W. T. R. Preston, Conservative, was yesterday re-elected to the House of Commons for Walsall at the bye-election over Dr. T. MacNamara, Liberal, and Captain L. Small, Socialist. The figures were: Preston, 14,732; MacNamara, 12,309; Small, 11,610.

## Evidence Measures 18 Feet By Ten

MONTREAL, March 1.—One of the largest exhibits ever produced in Superior Court is being assembled today in Room 24 of the Court House where Mr. Justice Macdonald is hearing an action in which the Montreal Light, Heat and Power, Consolidated, is seeking annulment of a contract for the purchase of three 18,000 horse-power water turbines for the Rapids Power Company in 1912.

Complete pattern from which the casting of a turbine was taken is being set up, and measures eighteen feet in diameter by ten feet in height. No other room in the Court House would accommodate the piece. The action involves \$171,311.29.

## German President Will Be Buried On Wednesday

(Canadian Press)  
BERLIN, Mar. 1.—At his widow's request, President Ebert's funeral will be held Wednesday at the executive mansion. Chancellor Luther will deliver the funeral address.

## Airman Killed

BAYONNE, France, Mar. 1.—Roger Ronsereil, a famous war ace was killed during an exhibition flight at Mont-D-Marsan, near here yesterday. Since the armistice Ronsereil had been employed by a traveling circus. In spite of a violent storm he insisted on taking off yesterday. When he was 1,500 feet from the ground, one wing of the plane was torn off while he was looping the loop. He crashed and was killed instantly.

## 1,387 For Union And 488 Against

(Canadian Press)  
TORONTO, Mar. 1.—The latest reports on Church Union show 1,387 churches for Union and 488 against.

## BRIT. PREMIER CONSIDERING HOW BEST TO REMOVE LONG STANDING COMPLAINT

Baldwin Considering How Best to Remove Long Standing Complaint

(Special to The Guardian)  
LONDON, March 1.—Premier Baldwin is considering how best to remove the long standing complaint that, though the Dominions have been given the status of nations, the relations with the British Government will remain under the Colonial Office. One proposal is that Dominion affairs be put directly under the charge of the Prime Minister, leaving the Colonial Office to manage relations with the proposal that the High Commissioner and Mandated Territories. The fact that the Irish Free State is now a Dominion and that Canada and the other Dominions are in direct relations with foreign powers through the League of Nations and otherwise, has shown the impossibility of continuing the Colonial Office arrangement. The change, when it comes, would presumably involve raising the status of the High Commissioners to something comparable with that of the Ambassadors. Some Dominion Governments hesitate however to adopt the proposal of the High Commissioners be made Imperial Privy Counsellors with a place as Dominion Cabinet Ministers at the sittings of the Imperial Cabinet here.

The British Ministers are anxious to do what the Dominions themselves desire. The main difficulty has been to get the Dominions to agree upon any new method or even to make practical suggestions.

What imperially-minded members of the British Parliament see most clearly is that the present system is not applicable to new conditions. They also feel that united action between the British and Dominion Governments would be greatly added if each Government nominated an official of its own to reside in London under its own orders to act as a Liaison Information Officer, such as Australia now has here.

The House of Commons has passed another estimate which foretells early air links with India and the Dominions, when Canada is only two days away, and Australia but eight or ten days from London, this problem of Imperial contact for purposes of statesmanship will be greatly eased.

only from the Empire point of view, but for the benefit of British industry as well.

The appearance of such advice in a reliable British financial journal ought to presage a movement of immense advantage to Canada, but, on the other hand, both official and financial quarters in Canada ought, in their own interests, to exercise the closest possible control over the financial propositions coming to London for money.

## Explosion Causes Million Dollar Loss

(Special to The Guardian)  
RIO DE JANEIRO, Mar. 1.—Ten persons were killed and 400 injured in the explosion of forty tons of powder and other combustibles on Gai Island, near Niteroi, yesterday, according to a statement made today by Perrin C. Cochran, local manager for three United States insurance companies who returned this morning from the scene of the blast. He placed the property loss at \$1,000,000.

## Limps Are Now London's Fashion

(Canadian Press)  
LONDON, March 1.—At the moment accidents are fashionable in London—that is, if they entail a limp.

"Hurt my ankle skiing" they explain to you, and you sympathize accordingly. When the boat train arrived from the Continent the other night eight people were wearing carpet slippers. Not all the limps are genuine, however, and if you ask their owners to a dinner party or a dance it is remarkable how quickly they disappear.

Another conceit at the moment is to have "G.H." on the back of your auto. That shows that you and your auto have been abroad—at least about one in every three is the genuine article fixed by the French Customs.

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\*\*The lottery to take place this evening at 139 Sydney St. postponed for a short time. See ad later. 708 3 2 11

## Parliament Will Have Carillon Of Fifty-three Bells

OTTAWA, March 1.—A carillon of fifty-three bells is to be installed in the memorial tower of Parliament Buildings according to an official intimation today. The contract is being awarded to the famous English firm of Gillett and Johnson of Croydon, England, and will be identical with the carillon in the Park Avenue Church in New York.

## U. S. Court Frees British Vessel

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Mar. 1.—Seizure of the British schooner Over the Top, followed the sale of 25 cases of liquor to special agents of the U. S. Internal Revenue Department, 19 miles off the coast on October 19th, 1924 was illegal, according to the decision handed down in the U. S. district court by Judge Edwin S. Thomas. The judge holds that the sale of the liquor, beyond the 12 mile limit was legal.

## Germany And League of Nations

GENEVA, Mar. 1.—The admission of Germany to the League of Nations will be one of the important questions discussed by the Council of the League at its session, beginning here March 8th.

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